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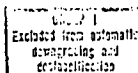
MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with GOMACE

1. On 11 July GOMACE phoned the office to request a meeting and stated he would be in Washington until the evening of 12 July. Arrangements were made to meet him for lunch on 12 July at 1200 hours in the Hotel Washington. The meeting lasted from 1210 until 1555 hours with lunch in the Washington Hotel and later drinks and snack in the Willard Hotel.
2. It was evident from the start that GOMACE had nothing new to tell or anything to add to previous information. Since we had already planned to drop contact with GOMACE as non-productive, the undersigned mentioned that he was leaving the country and would not be replaced since our mutual interests in action group activities no longer existed and because of more pressing problems of immediate importance, our interest in Bulgaria and PM activities had to be relegated to a minor place and shelved for the present. GOMACE was told that in cases of extreme urgency he could still write to the same address but that nobody would be able to read his letters and they would be sent to wherever I was. It was arranged that any merely informative letters or publications would be sent in English, but if it were a most important operational matter he would write in Bulgarian.
3. GOMACE stated that from his contacts in the State Department that same day and from other recent contacts with officials and Congressmen he gathered that Bulgarian matters had been shelved as more pressing problems occupied their time.
4. GOMACE stated he still has not received his U.S. immigration visa and presumes that somebody or some organization has blocked it. He mentioned the possibility that GOVE may have done it through his many friends. He also mentioned that the job offered by Syracuse University is still open but

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they would not consider him beyond this fall. He feels he must get to the U. S. for economic reasons, whether he works at Syracuse or not. He also feels that he cannot remain at the helm of the BNF if he continues living in Canada.

5. GOMACE said that lately he had received fragmentary information which indicated the possibility of the West German IS or other organ of the FGR recruiting Bulgarians in Canada and the U. S. When pressed for more concrete information, GOMACE stated he had none except that he had received a letter from a Bulgarian in West Germany telling him he should come over, as money opportunities were better. He also said that KALINKOICHEV and one NIKOLOV Fnu of New York had received similar bids from a Bulgarian doctor living in Stuttgart or Mannheim who invited them to come over and work; also saying that opportunities to continue the fight for liberation of Bulgaria were better there than in any other country. GOMACE deduces that the West German IS is either interested in PM-type activities or is trying to use this as a gimmick to cover intel gathering activities in Bulgaria.

6. As far as emigre activities in the U. S. and Canada, GOMACE stated that all the organizations (BNC, BN Council, BNF, BRA and American-Bulgarian League) had been constantly losing membership and that there was an ever-decreasing interest on the part of emigres in Bulgarian politics or activities - especially in the realm of revolutionary activities. (Note: GOMACE is merely "playing back" the same thing we have been telling him for the past four years.) He feels that only the BNC and BNF have any chance of surviving in years to come. Of course he maintains the BNF will outlast them all because it is better and more solidly organized.

7. GOMACE seemed to have been genuinely glad to talk with an agency man again - apparently having feared that he was in the dog-house as far as we were concerned.

8. GOMACE being who he is, we can expect notes and letters from him from time to time. He lives to maintain what he considers are U. S. Government contacts both to assuage his ego as well as give him a sounding board or active audience for his ideas and requests/needs.

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9. The meeting ended on a friendly tone with GOMACE restating his readiness to join the U.S. Government at any time in the future for Bulgarian PM activities

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